



## 'Grazer Fest' in Ahmedabad, over 65 brands to participate

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THE GUJARAT Chamber of Commerce & Industry (GCCCI) will host a three-day food and beverages event called The Grazer Fest: from February 27.

Addressing a press conference, Meera Shah of Idea Bag Events & Entertainment LLP, which is collaborating with the chamber for the event, said Ahmedabad's food culture made it a natural host city. "Ahmedabad is a foodie city. There are areas that are over 50 years old dedicated to food. There is 100 per cent scope for growth if we work with the food

industry," she said. "People like food and every weekend, they think about where to eat. So there's a chance to hang out and eat, but there's also an opportunity to network, expand and grow," Shah said. "GCCCI will be offering a platform for expansion opportunities to these brands."

According to organisers, the first edition will feature 65-70 brands across categories including restaurants, cafes, retail and gourmet labels, packaging and supply-chain brands, subscription-based ventures and food-tech participants. There will be dedicated zones.



## Protest Path

Bank employees protest in Ahmedabad on Wednesday, raising pending demands. BHUPENDRA RANA

## IIM-A placements: 68 firms in cluster 3

Ahmedabad: Among the 68 firms participating in the third cluster of the Final Placement Process for the PGP Class of 2026 at the Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad (IIM-A) were several

new recruiters. Thriveni extended the highest number of offers in the cluster, IIM-A authorities said on Wednesday. Additionally, Intertec Systems extended an international offer. ENS

# In UP, man's search for son lays bare state of missing person cases

Bhupendra Pandey & Vineet Bhatta  
Lucknow, New Delhi, Feb 11

ON THE evening of July 15, 2024, Ranjan Kumar (32) walked out of his home in Vikalp Khand, in Lucknow's Gomti Nagar, but didn't return.

It was supposed to be a week of celebrations; Ranjan's wedding was just days later. "The wedding events were underway. He left around 6.30 pm; we thought he had gone for a stroll," his father, 68-year-old homoeopath Dr Vikrama Prasad, told *The Indian Express*.

When Ranjan did not return after two hours, panic set in, and the wedding was eventually cancelled.

What followed was a year-and-a-half-long struggle against a police system that eventually forced Prasad to knock on the doors of the Allahabad High Court after "seeing no ray of hope".

His petition has now snowballed, with the High Court inquiring into and criticising what it described as the Uttar Pradesh police's "cavalier" approach toward missing persons.

In its order on January 29, a division bench stated that 1.08 lakh persons were reported missing across the state over two years, between 2024 and 2026, "but action for tracing only 9,700 persons had been taken". "What could be the justification for this insufficiency in efforts to trace out the remaining missing persons?" it asked. The court ordered that Dr Prasad's petition

### ● AN ENDLESS WAIT

#### WHAT IS THE CASE?

In July 2024, Lucknow resident Ranjan Kumar (32) went missing. What followed was a year-and-a-half-long struggle against a police system that forced his father to knock on the doors of the Allahabad HC after "seeing no ray of hope".

#### WHAT THE COURT SAID

In its order January 29, a division bench stated that of 1.08 lakh persons reported missing between 2024 and 2026, action

for tracing only 9,700 persons had been taken. "What could be the justification for this insufficiency?" it asked

#### 'CASUAL AND CAVALIER'

In December 2025, the court observed that "this writ petition is a classic example of the casual and cavalier attitude of authorities", adding it was "aghast at the attitude of the authorities in addressing complaints pertaining to missing persons"



**GOVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU**  
**INFORMATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT**  
**TAMIL NADU GOVERNMENT M.G.R. FILM AND TELEVISION INSTITUTE**  
CHENNAI - 112  
SHORT TERM TENDER NOTICE  
Tender Notice No.0375/SK/2026

Tamil Nadu Government M.G.R. Film and Television Institute invites e-Tender (Two cover system) from the reputed bidders for the Supply, Installation, Integration, Testing And Commissioning of Equipment, Computer Hardware, Software and Accessories for Cinematography, Digital Intermediate, Audiography, Direction & Screenplay Writing, Film Editing and Animation & Visual Effects Sections on Academic pricing on turnkey basis along with comprehensive onsite warranty for Three (3) years.

Scope of work, qualification criteria, EMD, receipt of tender, opening of tender and all other details are available in the website <https://www.tntenders.gov.in> If any changes / corrections etc to the Tender, it will be published on the above website only. e-Tender document can be downloaded at free of cost from the website <https://tntenders.gov.in> from 12.02.2026 at 3.00 pm onwards. Last Date for submission of Tender is on 19.02.2026 upto 03.00 pm.

DIRECTOR,  
INFORMATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS, CHENNAI  
DIPR/923/TENDER/2026

**GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU**  
**HINDU RELIGIOUS & CHARITABLE ENDOWMENTS DEPARTMENT**  
Arulmigu Dhandayuthapani Swamy Temple, Palani Nagar, Palani Taluk, Dindigul District  
E - Shot Tender Notice - Tow cover System  
Date: 11.02.2026

TYPE OF CONTRACT : ITEM WISE RATE  
E-Tenders are invited by Joint Commissioners / Executive Officer of the above Temple for the following work. The e-tender schedule (BOC) are available from 12.02.2026 to 26.02.2026 upto 5.45 pm will be downloaded from the website <https://www.tntenders.gov.in> at free of cost. The e-tender documents (BOC) are to be uploaded through online on (or) before 27.02.2026 up to 3.00 pm. The received tenders will be opened on 27.02.2026 at 4.00 pm through online. EMD will be remitted through online. All documents are produced through online in the mode of pdf file. Important documents, Tender documents and correct documents are downloaded from the website <https://www.tntenders.gov.in> and not publish in Newspaper.

| S. No. | Name of work                                                                                                                                               | Tender value in Rs (Including GST 18%) | E.M.D Amount Rs. | Period of Completion |
|--------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| 1      | Na.Ka.No: 2421/2025/E1 Construction of New Devotees Rest Houses For Arunmigu Dhandayuthapani Swamy Temple at Palani, Dindigul District. (Two cover System) | Rs.72,49,200/-                         | Rs.36,35,000/-   | 24 Months            |

Contractor Qualification: Registered, Live, class of qualified contractors of Tamil Nadu Government Departments/ State Government Under Takings.  
All the details regarding the Tender invite is available in the <https://www.tntenders.gov.in> Website. Any corrections/modifications will be intimated only through the above website.  
DIPR / 927 / Tender / 2026 Temple Administration

**RAJVI LOGITRADE LIMITED**  
CIN: L60200GJ1986PLC083845  
Reg. Off.: Rajvi House Plot No. 109, Sector-08, Gandhidham 370201, Kutch Gujarat  
Email: investor@rajvilogitrade.com Website: www.rajvilogitrade.com  
Tel. No.: +91-9979898027

**STATEMENT OF UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR QUARTER ENDED ON 31st December, 2025**  
(Rs. In lakhs)

| Particulars                                                                     | Quarter ended (Unaudited) |            | Nine Months ended (Unaudited) |            | Year ended on (Audited) |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------------------------|------------|-------------------------|
|                                                                                 | 31.12.2025                | 31.12.2024 | 31.12.2025                    | 31.12.2024 | 31.03.2025              |
| Total Income from Operations (net)                                              | 2648.51                   | 1160.22    | 6589.59                       | 2229.09    | 4303.23                 |
| Net profit for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and Extraordinary items)     | 108.65                    | 44.35      | 191.32                        | 82.24      | 146.44                  |
| Net Profit for the period after tax (after Exceptional and Extraordinary Items) | 81.19                     | 33.15      | 142.67                        | 61.49      | 109.37                  |
| Equity Share Capital (Face Value of Rs.10/- each)                               | 632.55                    | 100        | 632.55                        | 100        | 100                     |
| Earnings Per Share Basic/ Diluted                                               | 2.51                      | 3.32       | 4.41                          | 6.15       | 10.94                   |

Note: The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly unaudited Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchange under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the quarterly unaudited financial results are available on the Stock Exchange website: [www.bseindia.com](http://www.bseindia.com) and also on Company's website at [www.rajvilogitrade.com](http://www.rajvilogitrade.com)  
For, Rajvi Logitrade Ltd. Place: Gandhidham  
Sd/- Dipendra Tak (Whole Time Director) Date: 12/02/2026

**Rajkot Nagarik Sahakari Bank Ltd.** Symbolic Possession Notice (For Immovable Property)  
R.O. & H.O.: 'Arvindbhai Maniar Nagarik Sevalay', 150' Ring Road, Near Raiya Circle, Rajkot. Ph. 2555555

The undersigned being the authorized officer of Rajkot Nagarik Sahakari Bank Ltd., H.O. Rajkot under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 Section 13(2) and in exercise of powers conferred under the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice to the below mentioned borrowers and Guarantors advising them to repay their bank dues mentioned in the notice with due interest thereon within 60 days from the date of notice and as they have failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to them and the public in general that the undersigned has taken **Symbolic possession** of the properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of SARFAESI ACT-2002, read with rule 8(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 for recovery of the secured debts. Following borrowers and Guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with this property will be subject to the charge of Rajkot Nagarik Sahakari Bank Ltd., Rajkot for an amount mentioned below and interest thereon due from 29/01/2026.

| Branch Name & Account No.         | Borrower / Guarantor / Director / Partner name & If Bank Issue Public notice in News Paper then date & News Paper Details                    | As per 13(2) Notice Outstanding Amount & Notice date                | Date of Symbolic Possession | Outstanding Amount As on 28/01/2026 |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Jetpur 042071702001258 (SEC/5208) | <b>BORROWER(S):</b> Sakariya Shobhnaben Jagdishbhai<br><b>GUARANTOR(S):</b> (1) Sakariya Uday Jagdishbhai (2) Tilavath Dhiraajal Vitthaladas | Rs. 8,60,149-54 (As on 31/10/2025)<br>13(2) Notice Date: 10/11/2025 | 11/02/2026                  | Rs. 8,83,179-54                     |

**Mortgage Properties Description**  
(1) Immovable Property Situated in Gujarat State, Rajkot Dist., Sub-District Jetpur, within the Boundary of Nagarpalika, Amar Nagar Road, In Nandanvan Society, Jetpur Revenue Survey No.50 Paiki Acre 3-34 Guntha Land Converted into Non-agri. for Residential purpose Plots Paiki Plot No. 54 area 109-67 Sq. Meter Thereon Residential House Acquired Vide Regd. Sale Deed No.3643, Dated. 21/07/2010 in the Name of Shobhnaben Jagdishbhai Sakariya.  
(2) All Stocks of goods, machinery furniture & fixtures, vehicles, computer etc.  
Dt. 11/02/2026, Rajkot. Authorized Officer, Rajkot Nagarik Sahakari Bank Ltd., H.O., Recovery Department, Rajkot.

**SHREE BHAVYA FABRICS LTD.**  
CIN : L17119GJ1988PLC011120  
Regd. Office: Survey No 170, Opposite Advance Petrochem Ltd, Pirana Road, Piplej, Ahmedabad-382 405.  
Tel : +91-79-22172949 • Email: csj7bhavyafabrics@gmail.com • Website: www.shreebhavyafabrics.com

**Extract of Unaudited Standalone Financial Results for the Quarter and Nine months ended as on 31st December, 2025**  
(Rs. In Lacs)

| Sr. No. | Particulars                                                                                                                   | Quarter Ended |           |           | Nine Months Ended |           |          |
|---------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|----------|
|         |                                                                                                                               | 31-12-25      | 30-09-25  | 31-12-24  | 31-12-25          | 31-12-24  | 31-03-25 |
|         |                                                                                                                               | Unaudited     | Unaudited | Unaudited | Unaudited         | Unaudited | Audited  |
| 1       | Total income from Operations                                                                                                  | 3091.01       | 4590.89   | 3603.17   | 11,916.84         | 13,664.20 | 18504.92 |
| 2       | Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before Tax and Exceptional items)                                                           | 38.86         | 97.87     | 43.42     | 224.55            | 194.41    | 300.56   |
| 3       | Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (Before Tax and after Exceptional items)                                                     | 38.86         | 97.87     | 43.42     | 224.55            | 194.41    | 300.56   |
| 4       | Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (after Tax and Exceptional items)                                                            | 15.49         | 73.23     | 30.13     | 161.71            | 145.39    | 234.98   |
| 5       | Total Comprehensive income for the period Profit/(Loss) for the period (After Tax) and other comprehensive income (after Tax) | 15.49         | 73.23     | 30.13     | 161.71            | 145.39    | 234.98   |
| 6       | Paid-up Equity share capital (face value) of Rs. 10/- each share                                                              | 950.00        | 950.00    | 950.00    | 950.00            | 950.00    | 950.00   |
| 7       | Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve as shown in the Balance Sheet of previous year)                                       | -             | -         | -         | -                 | -         | 2585.29  |
| 8       | Earnings Per Share (before and after extraordinary items) of Rs. 10/- each Basic and Diluted                                  | 0.16          | 0.77      | 0.32      | 1.70              | 1.53      | 2.47     |

**Notes:** The above result is an extract of the details unaudited Financial Results for the third quarter and nine months ended 31st December, 2025 filed with the stock exchange under regulation 33 of SEBI (Listing Obligation and Disclosure Requirement) Regulation, 2015. The full financial results for the third quarter and nine months ended on 31st December, 2025 are available on the website of the stock exchange i.e. [www.bseindia.com](http://www.bseindia.com) and website of the company i.e. [www.shreebhavyafabrics.com](http://www.shreebhavyafabrics.com)

For, SHREE BHAVYA FABRICS LIMITED  
Sd/- Purushottam Radheshyam Agarwal  
Chairman And Managing Director (DIN: 00396869)

Place : Ahmedabad  
Date : 11-02-2026

**Tamil Nadu Power Generation Corporation Ltd**  
Notice Inviting Tenders (E-Tendering Process)

| Specification No. | Tender Inviting Authority | Name of the Work                            |
|-------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 360               | SE / P&A / NCTPS-1        | New Gaseous Fire suppression system Inergen |

For details of works / Procurement / Due date of submission / Opening, viewing and downloading of e-tenders, please visit websites: [www.tnpgcl.org](http://www.tnpgcl.org), [www.tenders.tn.gov.in](http://www.tenders.tn.gov.in), [www.tntenders.gov.in](http://www.tntenders.gov.in)  
DIPR/962/Tender/2026

**Office of District Election Officer**  
(Collector), Bhilwara  
Sr no/2025-26/NIB/80168 Date: SIGNED DATE

**Notice Inviting Bid**  
Following bids are invited from interested bidders upto date 17/02/2026 at 11:00 A.M. Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal (<http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in>) & (<http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in>) of the state. NIB: CBI.2526A0009 NIT: 80161 date 06.02.2026

| S. no. | Description of tender   | e-Proc Tender ID    | UBN NO           |
|--------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 1      | Videography/photography | 2026_ELECT_536188_1 | CBL2526SLRC00027 |
| 2      | Ballot paper printing   | 2026_ELECT_536188_2 | CBL2526SLRC00028 |

Sd/-  
District Election Officer  
(Collector) Bhilwara  
DIPR/C/2805/2026

**CHENNAI METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**  
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,  
CIRCLE - II, CONSTRUCTION WING,  
'A' BLOCK 'E' ROAD, KOYAMBEDU, CHENNAI - 600 107.

**SHORT E- TENDER NOTICE Dated : 11.02.2026**

e-Tenders are invited from the Government registered and experienced contractors by the Superintending Engineer, Circle-II, Construction Wing, Chennai - 600107 under Two Cover System for the following works of

| Sl. No. | Name of Work                                                                 |
|---------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.      | Construction of Multi-Purpose centre at Kakknanji Nagar, Vyasarpadi, Chennai |
| 2.      | Construction of Community Hall in Tondiarpet at Chennai                      |

|                                                 |                                                               |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Short E-tender Notice No.                       | 19/2025-26 dt. 11.02.2026                                     |
| Last date & Time of receipt of e-tender         | 26.02.2026 upto 3.00 PM                                       |
| Downloading the tender document by free of cost | 12.02.2026 to 26.02.2026 upto 3.00 PM                         |
| For further details visit website               | <a href="http://tntenders.gov.in">http://tntenders.gov.in</a> |

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,  
Circle II, C.W, CMDA, Chennai - 600 107.  
DIPR/971/TENDER/2026

**Rajkot Nagarik Sahakari Bank Ltd.** Sale Notice (For Immovable & Movable Property)  
R.O. & H.O.: "Arvindbhai Maniar Nagarik Sevalay", 150' Ring Road, Nr. Raiya Circle, Rajkot. Ph. 2555716

In terms of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (SARFAESI Act-2002) Pursuant to the possession of the property described herein below is taken by the Authorized Officer on 21/09/2025 under SARFAESI Act.2002 for recovery of the secured debts of Rajkot Nagarik Sahakari Bank Ltd., from Zydus Ceramic, (1) Patel Narendrabhai Kantilal, Partner of Zydus Ceramic, (2) Patel Ramanbhai Shivdasbhai, Partner of Zydus Ceramic. OFFERS are invited by the undersigned in sealed cover for purchase of this property within 15 Days from the date of this Notice, brief particulars of which is given hereunder on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS". For inspection of the property and tender form, one can contact us at Rajkot Nagarik Sahakari Bank Ltd., Arvindbhai Maniar Nagarik Sevalay, Recovery Department, Head Office, 150 Feet Ring Road, Near Raiya Circle, Rajkot or Our Surendranagar Branch. (Branch Address: Opp. C.J. Hospital, Vitthal Press Road, Haveli Street, Surendranagar.)  
-> Date fixed for inspection of the property : 27.02.2026 (11:00 AM To 4:00 PM)  
-> Last Date for submission of tender : 05.03.2026 (upto 5:00 PM)  
-> Date, Time & Place of Opening the tenders : 09.03.2026, 11:00 AM, at 'Arvindbhai Maniar Nagarik Sevalay', 150' Feet Ring Road, Nr. Raiya Circle, Rajkot.

| Description of Property                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Total Dues                                                              | Reserve Price     | Amount of Deposit |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| (1) Immovable Property Situated in Surendranagar Dist., Sub-District Thangadh, Within the limit of Village Rupavati, Industrial Property Known as "Zydus Ceramic" which have Khata No.260, Survey No.272 (Old Survey No.8/1) admeasuring area Hecter 1-31-86 equal to 13186-00 Sq. Meter Land Converted into Non-Agri. for Industrial Purpose Thereon Construction on area 4495-86 Sq. Meter Property acquired vide Regd. sale deed No.355, dated 16/05/2017 in the name of Zydus Ceramic and bounded by as Under: -<br>North :- land of Survey No.277 and 278<br>South :- land of Survey No.271<br>East :- land of Survey No.273, 274, 275, 276<br>West :- land of Survey No.257 | Rs. 57,75,654.48 + unapplied Interest w.e.f. 01/02/2026 + Legal Expense | Rs. 3,03,71,400/- | Rs. 30,37,200/-   |
| (2) Plant and machinery lying on above factory Building.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                         | Rs. 38,84,625/-   | Rs. 3,88,500/-    |

**(Property Address :- "Zydus Ceramic", Survey No. 272, Lakhamachi Rupavati Road, Dist. Surendranagar, Thangadh 363530 (Gujarat)**

**Terms & Conditions :** 1. The immovable property is to be sold on 'As is where is' and 'As is what is' basis. 2. The purchaser will have to pay any type of Govt. dues / Semi. Govt. dues / Municipal taxes / Electricity Bills etc., if any, due on this property. If any document relating to this property is pending for payment of stamp duty, the purchaser will have to pay the same. 3. In the court cases, if any, relating to this Property, the orders of the court, would be binding to the purchaser. 4. The tenderer can bid for any amount, but he is to submit a Banker's Cheque/Demand draft of 10% of Reserve Price and not less than reserve price as deposit, as mentioned above payable to Rajkot Nagarik Sahakari Bank Ltd., Rajkot with the tender. 5. One can get tender form from the undersigned or From our Surendranagar Branch. 6. The Bank reserves its right to accept or reject any tender. Property may not be sold below reserve price. 7. The tenderer will be required to pay 25% of the bid price on acceptance of his tender (10% of the reserve price submitted with the tender will be taken into account) within 24 hours of the approval of tender. 8. If the successful tenderer will fail to pay the accepted bid price, the amount of deposit will be forfeited by the Bank. 9. On acceptance of the tender the amount of deposit will be refunded without any interest thereon. 10. The authorized officer does hereby state that, the bank is not aware about any charge or tax or liability for the said property. However, the bidder shall ensure by his own sources to find out any charges, lien, encumbrance, property tax, Government dues in respect of the property and the same shall be the responsibility of the tenderers.

**11. Tenderer / Bidder is required to bid for both properties (Factory And Plant & Machinery) simultaneously.**

**15 days Statutory Sale notice to the Borrower, Guarantors & Mortgagee.**  
**Prospective buyer may also visit our website [www.rnsb.bank.in](http://www.rnsb.bank.in) for sale advertisement.**

Dt. 12/02/2026  
Rajkot. Authorized Officer,  
Rajkot Nagarik Sahakari Bank Ltd., H.O., Recovery Dept., Rajkot.

be registered as a PIL, stating that a "larger public interest is now involved in the matter".

### Fading hope

According to the missing person's complaint filed at the Chinhat police station on July 17, 2024, Ranjan left home with no money. His bank accounts have shown no activity since, according to Prasad.

In his writ petition filed in November 2025, Prasad stated that despite repeated requests for over a year to the Station House Officer and Investigating Officer to "properly conduct the proceeding to search", as well as writing to the Commissioner of Police about the inaction, he saw "no hope to get justice from the present police officials who are not taking the investigation seriously".

"The police would tell me, I am looking into it, I am doing this, I am doing that," Prasad recalled. "But I am not a lawyer or an investigator. I don't know what they were actually doing. I just know I didn't get any results."

According to his petition, he was driven by "great apprehension... that the police will not do anything in the matter" to approach the High Court. He sought a writ of mandamus—a judicial command ordering the government to perform its public duty—to direct the police to investigate the case in a "fair and proper manner".

"Casual and cavalier"

When the matter was heard by the Lucknow Bench of the High Court in December 2025, Justices Abdul Moin and Babita Rani observed that "this writ petition is a classic example of the casual and cavalier attitude of authorities".

Investigation into Ranjan's disappearance effectively began only after the court intervened—nearly 16 months later. An FIR was lodged on December 2, 2025, only after the court asked the Lucknow Police Commissioner for a status report.

However, what turned the plea into a state-wide issue was the government counsel's admission before the High Court on December 17 that "complaints pertaining to missing... are uploaded (online), and thereafter, they continue to remain on the website till such time, some impetus is given either by an order of the Court of law or otherwise".

Noting that this "indicates the total lack of seriousness with which authorities take missing complaints... lodged by residents of Uttar Pradesh", the court asked the state government's principal home secretary to place on record data about police action in missing person complaints.

On seeing the data provided by the Police Technical Services Headquarters - 1,08,300 missing person complaints were registered from January 1, 2024, to January 18, 2026, of which 9,700 pertain to action taken to trace them—the court, on January 29, said it was shocking.

Stating that it was "aghast at the attitude of the authorities in addressing complaints pertaining to missing persons", the court observed: "It is only when this court has taken cognisance of a person having gone missing that the official machinery has got into motion by lodging the FIR and by indicating efforts... now being made to trace the missing person."

For Prasad, the developments bring little solace. "I just want my son back."

## On India tour, 'Ekaa' brings '64 yoginis' to Ahmedabad



Dr Beena S Unnikrishnan with her paintings. EXPRESS

Nishant Bal  
Ahmedabad, February 11

A TRAVELLING exhibition presenting a complete contemporary interpretation of the 64 Yoginis (Chausat Yogini) opened at L & P Hutheesing Visual Art Centre on Tuesday, marking the Ahmedabad leg of a 16-state tour scheduled over 81 days and spanning more than 10,000 kilometres between January and April.

Titled 'Ekaa: The One - The 64 Yoginis Trail', this three-day show features all 64 Yogini paintings by Kerala-born, Chennai-based artist Dr Beena S Unnikrishnan. These artworks are accompanied by a 65-minute documentary, Y64: Whispers of the Unseen, directed by Jain Joseph. The exhibition was launched in New Delhi on December 4, 2025.

"I started this journey in 2015," Beena Unnikrishnan said during a media interaction. She spent five years completing the paintings and another two years working on the documentary.

In Indian tantric traditions, the 64 Yoginis are regarded as manifestations of Shakti and

are associated with multiple aspects of feminine power and transformation.

She said her interpretation seeks to foreground the idea of internal balance rather than ritual practice. "It is more about feminine energy and the importance of co-existence. Every person carries both feminine and masculine energy," she said. She had travelled to Yogini temple sites including Hirapur in Odisha, Morena in Gwalior, Bhadaghat in Madhya Pradesh and Khajuraho during the course of the project.

She described her engagement as intuitive rather than academic. "It was a very spiritual journey for me," she said, adding, "Academically I have not done any research." She distanced her work from ritual-centric understandings often associated with the tradition.

"For a person to understand God or a Goddess, you really don't need a ritual," she said. Following Ahmedabad, the exhibition will continue its tour to Jaipur, Delhi and Gwalior before concluding in Chennai in April. (Nishant Bal is an intern at the Ahmedabad office of *The Indian Express*)

